Child and Family Services Update

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SAFE Update For January 2003

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What's new in SAFE? Release 2.401 was deployed statewide in January 2003. Workers will now be able to update their own licensure information just by going to their worker window. When searching in the Directory using names with an apostrophe you now only have to enter one apostrophe instead of two. The Person window has been redesigned to allow the entry of multiple ethnicities. Cases can now be set to Confidential with the region director's approval. The Idle window has been changed to fill the whole screen. The Staffing tab has been removed from all case windows, this tab still appears in the Referral window.

CPS referrals and cases are impacted the most by this new release per SB17. Several new severe and chronic allegations have been added. The text area in Referral Narrative has been expanded per Intake Steering Committee. **Do not delete the questions out of this area.** The CANR has been redesigned so that Roles and Relationships are detailed out, negating the need for a code sheet. When a case is reversed the reason for Non-Acceptance will now carry over to the General tab. Access to child Yes, No and Unknown has been added to the Allegation Generator. Warrant information has been added to the Removal wizard and will display on the Removal Information window.

All victims and perpetrators will now be referred to as Alleged Victim and Alleged Perpetrator until case closure. At that time if the allegation is Supported the word "Alleged" will be removed. Allegations will now display DCFS Results and Court Findings on the Case window and in Directory. DCFS results are Supported or Unsupported; Court Findings are Substantiated and Unsubstantiated. It will now be possible to reverse a CPS case to Unaccepted with an activity record attached. The NAA letters and forms will all print at CPS closure. You will now be able to go to Document Index and reprint the NAA letters for a case. The Hearing tab has been redesigned to display Administrative Hearing information and the Court Findings.

Functional Assessment will be in Release 2.402 that is scheduled to be deployed in late Spring 2003.